

# \*\*\* Now Open \*\*\* Belmont Ridge Road Widened to 4 Lanes Over the Greenway

New traffic signal at the westbound Greenway on/off ramps

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### Good Morning,

I wanted to share the good news that the Belmont Ridge Road widening (widened from 2 to 4 lanes) and traffic signal project over the Greenway is now complete and open to traffic!

In August of 2017, the Board accelerated the construction timeline enabling construction to begin on September 16th of 2019, as opposed to the previously planned mid 2020 time frame.

See below for more details!



New four-lane configuration of Belmont Ridge Road facing new trafic signal at Dulles Greenway interchange

Belmont Ridge Road now has two lanes in each direction at the Dulles Greenway interchange, with two-foot shoulders on both sides. On the bridge, the widening was done entirely within the existing deck. The project aims to reduce congestion and improve safety and operations by eliminating the previous bottleneck along a half-mile stretch.

Also, a new traffic signal is now in operation at Belmont Ridge Road and the westbound Dulles Greenway on- and off-ramps. The signal includes a <u>flashing yellow arrow</u> for left turns from northbound Belmont Ridge Road to the westbound Dulles Greenway.

Other improvements recently completed as part of this project include:

- Partially reconstructing the ramp from southbound Belmont Ridge Road to the eastbound Dulles Greenway and moving the ramp entrance slightly south of its previous location
- Repaving and restriping Belmont Ridge Road just north and just south of the bridge

The improvements were all completed ahead of schedule. Final detail work will occur into the fall with minimal impacts to traffic. The \$7.5 million project was financed with federal and state funding.

Five miles of Belmont Ridge Road are now two lanes in each direction between Truro Parish Road and Riverside Parkway. The widening of Belmont Ridge Road between Hay Road and Gloucester Parkway was completed in 2018, while the section from Gloucester Parkway to Route 7 was widened as part of the Route 7/Belmont Ridge Road interchange project completed last year.

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Be safe!

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